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DECLARATION OF MICHAEL B. SHORTNACY

I, Michael B. Shortnacy, declare pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:

- 1. I am over the age of 18 and am a resident of Los Angeles, California. I respectfully submit this declaration in Support of Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc.'s, Raiser LLC's, and Raiser-CA, LLC's (collectively, "Defendants") motion to dismiss the cases of certain Plaintiffs for noncompliance with Amended Pretrial Order No. 10 ("Amended PTO 10").
- 2. I am a partner at the law firm of Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P., representing Defendants in this MDL. I am a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of California, the Bar of the State of New York, and the Bar of the District of Columbia. I make this declaration based upon matters within my own personal knowledge. If called as a witness, I could and would competently testify to the matters set forth herein.
- 3. In March 2024, the Court entered Pretrial Order No. 10 in this matter, requiring each Plaintiff to submit a "substantially complete" PFS that "answer[ed] all applicable questions," "[i]nclude[d] a signed declaration" or verification that the PFS answers are true and correct, "provide[d] duly executed record release Authorizations," and was accompanied by a production of "the requested documents." ECF No. 348 at 6. For Plaintiffs who filed their cases before March 26, 2024, the PFS were due within sixty days. *Id.* at 5. For all other Plaintiffs, the PFS were due within 30 days of the case being filed in, removed to, or transferred to this MDL. *Id.* at 5-6.
- 4. On October 31, 2025, the parties filed a stipulation proposing amendments to PTO 10 ("Amended PTO 10"). ECF No. 4274. The Court granted the stipulation on November 3. ECF No. 4286.
- 5. Amended PTO 10 requires Plaintiffs to, within thirty days of the entry of the revised Order or thirty days of submitting their PFS, produce their medical and/or therapy records and police reports, law enforcement and forensic records relating to the alleged incident. ECF No. 4274-1 at 4-5. If a Plaintiff does not already have such records in their possession, counsel must order the records within thirty days and produce them within fourteen days of receipt. *Id.* Procedurally, Amended PTO 10 states that if a Plaintiff fails to timely and substantially comply with the Order, Uber may serve

them with a "Notice of Overdue Discovery" identifying the Plaintiff's violation(s) and stating that if Plaintiff does not comply their case may be subject to dismissal. *Id.* at 8. If that Plaintiff then fails to cure within thirty days of service of the Notice of Overdue Discovery, Uber may, move the Court for an Order dismissing the relevant Complaint without prejudice. ¹ *Id.*

Amended PTO 10 obligations in various ways. The specifics of their non-compliance are detailed in Exhibit A. Uber served each of these Plaintiffs with a Notice of Overdue Discovery on a date, more than thirty days ago, as specified in Exhibit A. Uber also met and conferred with counsel for each of these Plaintiffs as specified in Exhibit A, but was unable to resolve these issues without this Court's intervention. One Plaintiff simply failed to respond to Uber's repeated requests to meet and confer. Plaintiffs' counsel stated that it had lost contact with its clients and intended to withdraw with regard to five other Plaintiffs. Uber gave one other Plaintiff an extension to cure its PFS deficiencies, but the extended deadline came and went without action by Plaintiff. Uber and the last Plaintiff had a meet and confer discussion and Uber offered a compromise, but the parties did not reach an agreement. In sum, following these meet and confer attempts, and despite Uber's repeated efforts to confer and resolve the disputes short of court intervention, Plaintiffs still have failed to cure their non-compliance with Amended PTO 10 and thus, following the procedures specified in the Order. Uber therefore respectfully moves the Court to dismiss their complaints without prejudice.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 19, 2025 in Los Angeles, California.

/s/ Michael B. Shortnacy
Michael B. Shortnacy

¹ Amended PTO 10 also requires the Parties to meet and confer regarding any PFS deficiencies prior to Uber moving the Court for a dismissal of without prejudice based on such deficiencies.